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ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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ENVIRONMENT AWARENESS
AVTAR SINGH BHADANA;JAI BHADRA SINGH

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken some specific steps to impart Education to Government officials, Environment volunteers and the citizens in general;

(b) if so, whether there are any special short term courses/institutions conducted for the purpose;

(c) if so, whether there is any incentive being offered by the Government for the production of films, comics or other material intended to create environment awareness amongst the people, particularly the students; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABULAL MARANDI)

(a) Yes, Sir. Every year the Government runs a National Environment Awareness Campaign for educating citizens and environment volunteers. The Government, through the mechanism of Centres of Excellence, also runs courses for imparting environment education to, inter alia, government officials.

(b) The Centre for Environment Education, Ahmedabad and CPR Environmental Education Centre, Chennai designated as Centres of Excellence, organise short term courses for imparting environment education to different target groups every year.

(c)&(d) The Government provides financial assistance to Centres of Excellence for the production of books, booklets, posters, pamphlets, educational kits, video films, audio cassettes etc. on environmental themes to create environment awareness amongst the people, particularly the students.